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By the King,

A PROCLAMATION.

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WHereas the *Parliament hath been Prorogued until the Tenth day of* February *next, We, for many weighty Reasons, have thought fit and Resolved to make a further Prorogation of the Parliament, until the Tenth day of* May *next ensuing the Date hereof: And therefore do by this Our Royal Proclamation Publish, Notifie and Declare, That the Parliament shall be Prorogued upon and from the said Tenth day of* February *until the Tenth day of* May *next: Whereof the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and the Knights, Citizens and Burgesses, and all others whom it may Concern, may hereby take Notice, and Order their Affairs accordingly: We letting them know, that We will not at the said Tenth day of* February *expect the Attendance of any, but only such, as being in or about the Cities of* London *and* Westminster, *may Attend the making the said Prorogation, as heretofore in like Cases hath been accustomed. And We do also hereby further Declare Our Royal Pleasure, That We shall not expect the Attendance of Our Houses of Parliament upon the said Tenth day of* May, *but intend at that time a further Prorogation to a more proper season of the year, unless some Extraordinary Occasion requires their Sitting, whereof We will give Convenient Notice by Our Royal Proclamation.*

Given at Our Court at Whitehall *the Eighth Day of* January 1685. *In the First Year of Our Reign.*

Genoua, Decemb. 22. This week arrived here the *Good-Success* from *Barcelona*. We have advice, that the *French* are fitting out 15 Gallies at *Marseilles*, and 10 Men of War at *Toulon*. The 17th instant, passed through this City a *French* Courier in his way to *Rome*. They write from *Milan*, that the 3000 Men, which the Count *de Melgar* is obliged by the Treaty he lately concluded with the Republick of *Venice*, to send to their Assistance, would in few days begin their march.

Venice, Decemb. 28. The Master of a Vessel which arrived here this week from *Soria* reports, that he heard before his departure from thence, that the Ships of this State, Commanded by Signior *Delfino*, had been engaged with Nine *Turkish* Men of War off of *Scio*, and had taken Five of them, and were in pursuit of the rest; And that a great *Turkish* Ship carrying 60 Guns, and 500 men, had been cast away in the Sea of *Baffo*, and all the men lost.

Vienna, Decemb. 27. The Emperor has given Orders for the providing great Magazines in *Croatia*, for the subsistence of his Forces on that side, which will be commanded the next Campagne by the Count of *Starembergh*. We have an account from those Parts, that the Imperial Troops had made an Incursion into the *Turkish* Territories, but that the weather had obliged them to return, without doing the execution they intended. The *Turkish* Aga who was at *Comorra*, is sent back to *Buda* with this Answer, That the Emperor and his Allies will not receive any Proposals of Peace, but what come directly from the Grand Signior. We have advice, but it needs a confirmation, that the Serasquier *Ibrahim* who commanded the *Ottoman* Forces in *Hungary* the last Campagne, has been strangled at *Belgrade* by Order of the Grand Signior, for not having relieved *Newheusel*, and that several other Bassa's have been likewise strangled, to appease the People. The Count *de la Vanguyon* arrived here the 25th instant, to reside at this Court with the Character of Envoy Extraordinary from the most Christian King. The Deputies from the Prince of *Transilvania* are daily expected; That Prince, besides the Winter-quarters he gives the Imperial Troops, commanded by General *Caraffa* is obliged to furnish Provisions and Forage for the Garrisons of *Zolnocke, St. Nicolas*, and some other places on that side.

Vienna, Jan. 3. On Monday last arrived here an Express from *Caschaw*, being sent by General *Caprara* with the News of the happy Success the *Imperialists* have lately had against the *Turks*, of which he gives the following Account: The Garisons of *Temiswaer, Sigeth, Gyula*, and other Neighbouring places, having drawn together to the number of 6000 Men, with a design to join with those of *Great Waradin, Agria, Hatwan* and *Buda*, that they might with their whole Force fall upon the Imperial Troops in the Quarters they had taken in their Neighborhood, the Baron *de Mercy* and Colonel *Heusler* who command the Emperor's Forces on that side, upon notice of it, assembled the Troops that were quartered at *Zolnocke*, and the places thereabouts, and having joined these, which made about 3000 Men, all *Germans*, with 3000 *Hungarians*, under the Orders of General *Peterhasi*, marched towards the Enemy, whom they found near the River *Marbs* or *Marach*; The two Bodies being drawn into order of Battel engaged, and fought for some time with great Fury on both sides, but God continuing to bless the Christian Arms, the *Turks* at last fled, part of them towards the Town of *Arach*, distant 12 Miles from *Temiswaer*, and as many from *Sigeth*, where they very vigorously defended themselves against the Christians who had pursued them, but at last the place was taken by Assault, plundered and burnt, the *Turks* that fled thither, being all put to the Sword; the *Imperialists* returned with a very considerable Booty, having taken a great many Horses, and a good deal of Money, and rich Houshold Goods. Of the Enemy 900 were slain upon the place of Fight, besides those killed in the pursuit, and at *Arach*, among the slain, according to the report of the Prisoners who are about 300, was a Bassa, and several other eminent Officers, though the *Imperialists* lost not in this whole Action above 100 Men.

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